



Proclamation

GOVERNOR WILLIAM FRANCIS QUINN

The State of Hawai`i mourns the loss of a great community leader, William Francis Quinn.

William F. Quinn made a significant impact on our community through his public service as a territorial senator, and as our state's last appointed territorial governor and first elected governor.

He was born on July 13, 1919 in Rochester New York. A graduate of Harvard Law School, he served in the Pacific during World War II and, after the war, moved to Hawai`i to begin his legal career.

His immeasurable contributions to territorial and state politics began in 1956, when he was elected to the territorial senate. On June 24, 1957, President Eisenhower called him into the Oval Office and offered him the territorial governorship.

William F. Quinn, a Republican, represented the territory of Hawai`i from 1957 to 1959. Following Hawai`i's union with the United States, he became the first elected governor of our state, where he served until 1962.

With his hard work, compassion and eloquent speaking ability, William F. Quinn became a leader and mentor within our community, helping our islands transition into statehood.

Although he will be deeply missed by his family and friends, the legacy of his service to the people of Hawai`i will never be forgotten.

THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE, Governor of the State of Hawai`i, do hereby order the lowering of the Hawai`i State flag to half-staff on all state and county buildings from **Tuesday, August 29, 2006, until the day of interment.**

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai`i, this twenty-ninth day of August 2006.

Linda Lingle
Governor, State of Hawai`i